



# Dennistoun Community Council

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## Dennistoun Community Council

### Ordinary Meeting

#### MINUTES

7-9pm, Tuesday 14 January 2020

Bluevale Community Centre, 30 Abernethy Street, G31 3SX

**Cllrs Present** Stephen Birrell (SB); Angela Bretherton (AB); Jonathan Deans (JD); Elaine Docherty (ED); Brian Johnston (BJ); Ruth Johnston (RJ); Valery Tough (VT); David Williams (DW); Wesley Wright (WW) [*Acting Chair, and minute taker*]

**Others present:** Cllrs Casey and Long; 2x members of the public.

ITEM	ACTION
<b>1 Welcome and introductions</b> Noted.	
<b>2 Apologies</b> Cllrs Lauren Bennie (LB); Deborah Hamilton (DH); Sean Kelly (SK); Mary Wallace (MW) Absent Cllrs: Emilia Borowik (EB); Ted Howie (TH)	
<b>3 Minutes of October minutes</b> November minutes: Proposed by VT; Seconded by ED. December notes: No corrections, approved by acclaim.	
<b>4 Matters arising from previous meetings</b> <u>FIRST ARISING PRIOR TO JULY MEETING</u> <i>- Environment Sub-committee draft terms of reference previously circulated to be updated prior to approval. &gt;&gt; In progress.</i> Believed to be ready for circulation. AB to forward to ED.	AB/ED
<u>ARISING FROM SEPTEMBER MEETING</u> <i>- SCDC workshops &gt;&gt; DCC needs to collectively pick a date. LB action to secure a date.</i>	LB
<u>ARISING FROM OCTOBER MEETINGS</u> <i>VHE financial and non-financial support for community project &gt;&gt; Noticeboards proposal to be progressed (with further funding to be enquired about) by sending planning permission through to Gavin.</i> LB has been in communication with Gavin Broomfield of VHE Construction who are in receipt of drawings, permissions and requirements. LB has also asked to stretch the VHE budget to two noticeboards: one for Wellpark location, one for the Haghill location.	LB
<i>- Interest expressed in becoming a Cllr and resultant election &gt;&gt; Actioned. See below December meeting entry.</i>	
<i>- Woodland trust tree-planting project. &gt;&gt; Environment subcommittee to take forward. Specific agenda item for February meeting as follow-up to sub-c'tee.</i>	Enviro' sub-c'tee
<i>- Completion and auditing of accounts &gt;&gt; Audited by independent examiner, with finalised documentation submitted to CC resource centre by JD.</i>	
<i>- Associate members (Market Gallery, Dennistoun Diggers, Dress For The Weather design practice, Milnbank Housing Association and Reidvale Housing Association) &gt;&gt; Assumed to continue in the role but will be contacted to confirm that as being the case in order that</i>	

alternatives can be approached if a vacancy arises. ED asked AMcL if there'd been a follow-up. Not done. ED actioning.	ED
<b>ARISING FROM NOVEMBER MEETING</b>	
- <i>Christmas/New Year event.</i> >> Investigate options.	DH
- <i>Remembrance Sunday</i> >> Charitable donation of £50 to Bellrock Close (Scottish Veterans Residences), to be paid for out of monies independently raised by DCC. Cheque signed, but needs to be sent.	JD
- <i>2020 Meetings</i> >> Venues booked.	
- <i>Paton Street land ownership enquiry</i> >> WW provided summary of DCC info held to ED for forwarding.	
- Calton Village Masterplan – BJ liaised with WW and submitted an objection.	
<b>ARISING FROM DECEMBER MEETING</b>	
<i>Potential future donations.</i> >> See item 7 below.	
<i>General election hustings.</i> >> DH to produce a summary write up to assist with future event planning. £15 donation to Nadia for video filming undertaken without a fee.	DH VT/JD
<i>Filling vacant Cllr places.</i> >> WW to arrange. Done. Nomination deadline of 24 <sup>th</sup> January avoids a conflict of interests clash with the General Election (either via candidacy or public campaigning activity), maximises available application time, and ensures process for filling roles will be completed at or before the February meeting.	
<i>Enquiry regarding status of absent Cllrs.</i> >> WW to correspond with EB and TH. LB to correspond with SK. Done. No response from TH via email. EB responded via email to confirm resignation. SK wishes to remain as a Community Councillor and LB has offered support. Agreed by acclaim that letter would be written to TH.	WW
<i>Dennistoun Area Partnership notes by RJ.</i> >> Circulated by ED.	
<i>Local groups facilitator.</i> >> Exploration of potential. Cllr Long – Kinharvie Institute. AB and VT will discuss with DH.	AB/VT/ DH
<i>Noticeboards.</i> >> See above update under October meeting entry.	
<i>Submission of audited accounts.</i> >> See above under October meeting entry.	
<i>Feedback from the December Community Council Development Session.</i> >> ED circulated.	
<i>2020 meetings.</i> >> Publicity posters put up at Library, Co-op, and Alexandra Park.	
<b>5 Chairperson update</b>	
No proposals to fill role at present. WW to email Cllrs, to flag the vacancy.	WW
<b>6 Annual self-assessment (RAG analysis)</b>	
Blank documentation circulated for discussion. WW to fill out relevant info and bring completed form back to February meeting for approval. Agreement by acclaim that the Police to be included/invited as a 6 monthly agenda item, in March and September.	WW
<b>7 Potential future donations</b>	
Discussion of the amended position taken in response to the memorial service invite gave rise to consensus that an item should be added to the January 2020 agenda to consider DCCs position regarding potential future donations, and whether precedents are being established or if it's understood that each instance will be considered individually as it arises. This is not just in relation to remembrance-related matters, but also in response to other enquiries about DCC making financial contributions or support to projects. Cllrs are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the relevant guidelines contained in the <i>Scheme of Establishment and Constitution</i> , etc in advance of the January meeting so as to be aware of what Community Councils are permitted to spend money on. Links to these documents can be found at <a href="http://dennistouncc.org.uk/about">dennistouncc.org.uk/about</a> . WW circulated a summary sheet (attached) of relevant extracts from the <i>Scheme of</i>	

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## **8 Elected Members**

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### Ivan McKee MSP

- Written report attached.

### Cllr Casey

- DCC has representation at Save Whitehill Pool meetings. Next Wed at 18:30 AB and DH will attend and report back at Feb DCC meeting.
- Met with Chief Exec of NHS GG&C re: car parking charges. Statutory bodies are being consulted prior to public consultation.
- Land between play park and Tennents brewery being investigated for temporary occupation. Land will be reinstated following this. Potential for improvements to this area being discussed.
- 4,303 new bins in back courts 1,947 recycling bins throughout Dennistoun.
- Duke St gullies have been programmed. Dates unconfirmed.
- Efforts to address drug misuse have been followed by a drop in reported incidents and associated crime, but efforts will be maintained.
- Eastern District Hospital (Loretto HA) status enquiry by RJ.

AB/DH

### Cllr Long

- Bin replacement scheduled for Jan and Feb.
- Footbridge across M8 at hostel: flooding has been reported in tandem with Cllr Casey. Site visit carried out in Nov.
- Visited Whole City Green Foods, who have a space available for meetings.
- Short term lets (AirBnB and others) will require to be licensed from a future TBC date.
- Whitehill Pool working group continues.
- SB enquired about independent report. Has not been publicly published but is available on request.
- WW enquired about Royal hospital entrance site visit. This took place (with Cllr Casey also in attendance), although there's no further progress at present, this will be revisited.
- Whitehill Street restaurant will be keeping the heritage signage.

Cllr Long

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## **9 Public Input**

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None.

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## **10 Finance**

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Signatory changes: WW to continue, ED and JD to be added.  
Bank account balance £1751.17.  
Petty cash balance £121.30.

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## **11 Correspondence**

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### a. General

Various items circulated.  
SGN contact re: plans for gasometers site north of motorway junction.

### b. Planning and Licensing

Golfhill School architect willing to attend. WW to contact Cllr Casey.

WW

Written report from BJ:

- 2 Westercraigs: Demolition of non-original extension and garage in a conservation area.
- 581 Alexandra Parade: Installation of replacement windows and two rooflights in a residential property.
- Gallowgate: Application for residential development (proposed 254 units). We have lodged and objection.
- Duke Street/Reidvale: Planning permission granted for residential development on the old abattoir site.
- Golfhill School: Work has commenced on the existing school building which currently has

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planning permission.

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## 12 Reports

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### a. Dennistoun Area Partnership

N/a.

### b. Strategic Communications Sub-committee (LB; JD; VT; WW; ET)

Agreement that a meeting will be scheduled ahead of February DCC meeting.

Opportunity for DCC councillor to speak with East End Community Radio to promote DCC and the vacancies on offer. LB will pursue.

LB

### c. Environment Sub-committee (AB; EB; SB; SK; MW)

Report expected in Feb.

Enviro' sub-  
c'tee

### d. Parking & Traffic Sub-committee (LB; RJ; BJ; SK)

N/a.

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## 13 Any Other Business

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SB enquired regarding the Avenues project status. This is ongoing, with key funding approval overseen by Sustrans.

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## 14 Next DCC Meeting

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Ordinary public meeting, from 7pm, on Tuesday 11 February 2020, at Reidvale Neighbourhood Centre, 13 Whitevale St, G31 1QW.

Agenda will be circulated in advance and published to [Dennistouncc.org.uk/dates](http://Dennistouncc.org.uk/dates).

Apologies to be submitted to secretary via [hello@dennistouncc.org.uk](mailto:hello@dennistouncc.org.uk).

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Attached:

- **Funding and Expenditure Guidance Extracts.**
- **Ivan McKee MSP Written Report.**

## **Funding and Expenditure Guidance Extracts**

The below extracts, taken from the various documents governing CC operations, were provided in advance of the discussion described in item 7 of these minutes

### **Scheme of Establishment**

#### **Administration Allowance & Discretionary Grant Fund**

7.3 Administration Allowances shall be for Community Council administration and/or promotion purposes only, and shall not be expended on any other purpose. The Discretionary Grant Fund (see Guidance Appendix 8) may support additional items and/or activities (see clause 5 of the Discretionary Grant Fund Guidelines).

#### **Other Grants**

7.12 Community Councils with specific needs are free to apply for grants from other Glasgow City Council Departments, and payments will be made in accordance with the procedure determined by the City Council.

### **Constitution**

#### **3. Objectives**

The objectives of the Community Council shall be to:

- (a) Seek to develop a Local Vision e.g. a mission statement (see Guidance clause 1.1);
- (b) Gather and articulate the views of the community which it represents;
- (c) Express fairly the views, diversity of opinions and outlooks of the community to Glasgow City Council; and other public/private organisations;
- (d) Act as a voice for their local area on any matters affecting their community's lives, welfare and environment;
- (e) Liaise with other community groups within their local area;
- (f) Take any such action in the interests of the community as appears to be practicable;
- (g) Promote the well-being of the community and to foster community spirit.

#### **14. Control of Finance**

- (b) All monies provided by Glasgow City Council and other sources or raised by alternative means on behalf of the Community Council shall only be applied to further the objectives and fulfil the responsibilities of the Community Council.
- (c) The monies provided by Glasgow City Council in the annual Administrative Allowance shall be for Community Council administration and/or promotion purposes only, and shall not be expended on any other purpose; (see Scheme clause 7.3).
- (d) Monies raised from other sources for non-administration purposes may be used in accordance with the donor's terms so long as they do not conflict with the objectives of the Community Council. In the absence of any such terms, monies used will be to further the objectives and fulfil the responsibilities of the Community Council.

### **Standing Orders**

#### **4. Order of Debate**

- (f) Every motion or amendment shall be proposed and seconded.
- (g) After a proposer of a motion has been called on by the Chairperson to reply, no other members shall speak to the motion or amendment.
- (h) A motion or amendment once made and seconded shall not be withdrawn without the consent of the proposer and seconder thereof.
- (i) A motion or amendment which is contrary to a previous decision of the Community Council shall not be competent within 6 months of that decision; unless an error or new information becomes available which requires further consideration. Any subsequent decision taken by the Community Council, which is contrary to a previous decision, can be implemented with agreement in writing from Glasgow City Council.

### **Discretionary Grant Fund Guidelines**

1. Glasgow City Council has agreed to the provision of a discretionary grant fund which is only open to applications from community councils. The fund is limited and any awards made will be solely at the discretion of Glasgow City Council.
5. It is considered by Glasgow City Council, as way of providing examples, that the Discretionary Grant Fund may support:
  - (a) Community Council newsletters;
  - (b) small items of equipment (GCC may request an inventory of existing equipment);
  - (c) activities which build Community Councils' capacity;
  - (d) attendance at conferences and/or seminars which meet 5c of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils and are approved by GCC;
  - (e) registration as 'data controllers' with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)
6. The above examples are not exhaustive; although it should be clearly understood by all applicants that all proposals need to demonstrate a direct relationship to the objectives of community councils.
7. Applications to the Discretionary Grant Fund shall be made in advance i.e. before any activities and expenditure are undertaken. Retrospective Discretionary Grant Fund awards will not be made.

## **Ivan McKee MSP Written Report**

8 January 2020: This is a short report of some of the key meetings/events/issues I've been involved in, in the latter part of 2019.

### **Locally**

Met Whitehill Pool Campaign to discuss the impressive independent report they have commissioned regarding the use of facilities at the pool. Later in the month, joined in the fun at their Children in Need sponsored swim fundraiser event at the pool, with Cllr Allan Casey.

Caught up with the Headteacher at Whitehill Secondary School, with Cllr Allan Casey.

Joined in the festivities at Dennistoun New Parish Church Christmas Fayre with Cllr Allan Casey.

### **Constituency campaigns/issues**

Celebrated with new Principal, Derek Smeall, students and their families at the Glasgow Kelvin College Awards Ceremony. Always uplifting to see the students receiving their qualifications and the entertainment afterwards makes for a lovely event.

Met Rebecca Menzies, Co-founder of Get Glasgow Moving and discussed interesting perspectives on improving public transport provision in the city.

Delighted to attend the opening of the brand new Robroyston Railway Station, with Cllrs Christina Cannon and Graham Campbell and new MP Anne McLaughlin. This was one of the first community campaigns I became involved in, on being elected.

Met First Bus to explain the significantly detrimental effects of recently announced service changes on communities in Provan – specifically the 19a to Robroyston and also the 38, which has been cut to the detriment of the Lochs Shopping Centre in Easterhouse and communities in Garthamlock and Craighend that shop there. I'm meeting First Bus this month again to make the case for the restoration of services.

Hosted Impact Arts in Parliament to celebrate 25 years of tackling inequality through the arts.

### **Business**

Visited Aggreko – Dennistoun-based company powering construction projects around the World - to hear about their expansion plans at City Park which will bring welcome job opportunities for the community.

Visited Total Homes Co-operative and Reconnect with Cllr Allan Casey – amazing social enterprises doing environmentally friendly work that's firmly rooted in the community, providing employment, as well as training and volunteering opportunities as a next step towards work, to local people. I've arranged for the Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform to visit them early this year.

Caught up with Fiona Colborn-Brown Director of East End Connections doing valuable work connecting local businesses and building networks.

Met British Land to hear about exciting developments at the Queenslie industrial estate.

Celebrated Small Business Saturday by shopping at Zero Waste Market in Dennistoun.

**I'm always keen to visit local groups and organisations to hear about what they do and offer help if I can. Please contact my office on [ivan.mckee.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:ivan.mckee.msp@parliament.scot)**

### **Surgeries**

#### **First Friday** of the Month

- 10am Cranhill Community Project, Bellrock St
- 11am Riddrie Library
- 12pm BCDC, Quarrywood Road

#### **Second Monday** of the Month

- 10am Carntyne Church
- 5pm Haghill Park Primary School
- 6.15pm Platform (The Bridge)

**Fourth Thursday** of the Month – all day surgery 10am-3pm Ruchazie Parish Church

**Surgeries do not take place during the school holidays**